

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No. : 10/590,792
Confirmation No. : 1114
Applicants : *Wayne H. Rothschild et al.*
Filed : *August 25, 2006*
Title : *Method And Apparatus For Utilizing Tickets
To Progress Game Play In A Gaming Machine*
TC/A.U. : 3714
Examiner : *Robert E. Mosser*
Docket No. : 247079-000295USPX
Customer No. : 70243

RESPONSE TO FIRST OFFICE ACTION
DATED JUNE 22, 2009

Mail Stop Amendment – via EFS
Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Commissioner:

This is in response to the First Office Action dated June 22, 2009. The shortened statutory period for response is three months from the mailing date, *i.e.*, by September 22, 2009. A fee for a one-month extension is being submitted herewith, thereby extending the period for response to October 22, 2009. Please enter the following amendments and remarks into the record for this application.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.